Forests

Tour of the Hon. the Law Member in South Kanara during December 1935 in relation to forest grievances.

* 720 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether he was touring the district of South Kanara in connexion with the forest grievances of the people between the 4th and 8th of December 1935; and

(*b*) whether the District Collector was in the district and accompanied the Hon. Member in his tours to the various forests in that district?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. District Magistrate had accompanied me on some days.

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—" May I know whether it was not expected that the District Collector should accompany the Hon. Member during all the days when he was on tour in the district of South Kanara? " 11 15 a.m.

The Hon. Sir K. V. REDDI NAYUDU:—" Certainly not. He might have had much better use for his time."

Mr. V. T. ARASU:—" May I know whether it is a fact that the Collector was away in Bangalore at that time? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. REDDI NAYUDU:—" Government have no information."

Decision of the Government in the matter of the forest grievances in South Kanara.

* 721 *Q.*—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the Hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether the Government have come to a decision on the representations made by the South Kanara ryots and the South Kanara District Landholders' Association regarding their forest grievances?

A.—Yes.

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" May I know from the Hon. Member whether a copy of the decision will be placed on the table of the House? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. REDDI NAYUDU:—" Yes, it will be issued shortly."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" May I know whether that decision is favourable to the ryot or against the ryot? "

The Hon. Sir K. V. REDDI NAYUDU:—" Largely favourable to the ryot and occasionally against him if the hon. Member chose the other way."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" Thanks."